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By Eugene Leong

This spring East New York has had to take drastic measures in order to balance the school budget. These measures include the curtailing of many of the school's extra-curricular activities, such as the bowling and basketball teams, and the reduction of the "East New Yorker" to the mimeographed version you are now reading. The budget had traditionally been running in the "red", but we were recently advised by Board of Education officials to change this practice.

The G.O. allots to each activity a certain amount of money. The non-athletic expenses approved in the current budget were $1707. The athletic team budget which had been approved totaled $1726. The combined amount, $3433, exceeds by far our income from G.O. dues, dances, our G.O. store, and other money making activities.

One major non-athletic expense is the school newspaper, which cost $250 per issue to publish. One example of a heavy "team" expense is the $30 per home game which must be spent for the services of two referees. These are just a few examples of why the budget has been unbalanced. When the deficit has been made up the school will resume these activities on a more limited scale.

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THEATER WING GROUP SOARS IN E.N.Y. PERFORMANCES

By Manuel Flores

On March 6, 1961, members of the graduating class of the famed American Theater Wing performed in two interesting one-act plays under the direction of their Mr. Bischof. The plays were presented in the auditorium to a very enthusiastic audience.

The play called "The Valiant", was a serious, highly moving drama. In it a condemned murderer who refuses to reveal his true identity is about to die. The play suspensefully unfolds until, in a very touching climax, we learn the reason for his "valiant" behavior.

The second play, "The Marriage Proposal" by Anton Checkov, was also very unusual. Checkov based his witty comedy on the problems a young man encounters during the course of a courtship. The "discussion" he has with his "beloved" and the surprisingly funny ending are two outstanding features of the play.

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LIBRARY SPONSORS HOBBY SHOW; HOBBYISTS IN ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

By Barry Gold

On January 11, 1961, the library department of our school presented an assembly program featuring the hobbies of some of our students. Dr. Dorin acted as host for the hobby show, which had been presented in its entirety in the school library that week. Richard Sullivan and Eugene Reinhardt, both of 61X, demonstrated their radio controlled model airplane to a very appreciative audience. The airplane cost them about one hundred dollars, and took them about two months to build. Richard and Eugene both belong to the American Model Airplane Association. Daniel Blazejewski of 61X then demonstrated the art of using the bow and arrow. He showed the audience the proper steps and safety precautions in the use of this one time "lethal weapon". Last on the program were Ralph Esposito of 62A and Henry Kingsly of 63B. They demonstrated close order drill maneuvers.

******OPEN SCHOOL DAY******

MARCH 28, 1961 12:45 - 3:45 P.M.

E.N.Y. HONOR MEN

HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTS NEW MEMBERS

In an assembly program on Wednesday, March 1, 1961, the Crossroads Chapter of the National Honor Society inducted six new members. They are Joseph Gerretz, Carlos Marcinkevicius, Miguel Rodriguez, Joseph Rizzo, Ellwood Middleton, and Sam DeMayo. On the following Friday, the new and old members had a friendly "get-together" in the library. Their special guest was Mr. Wallen, who congratulated them and encouraged them to continue their fine work.

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Donald Henkel of class 63Y helped all day and night at the recent air-crash in Brooklyn. An account of his valuable assistance during the hours following the tragedy was heard over WNYC and WMCA.

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In a letter to Mr. Wallen, Louis Grassi of class 63U was commended by Captain Mullaney and Patrolman Samuel Sand for the unselfish manner in which he has given assistance to the 75th Precinct Youth Council.

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Another student who was recently cited by stations WMCA and WNYC for an act of heroism was James Astralla of 64A. James saw a car bearing down on a youngster who was trying to cross the street. He rushed out and pushed the child out of the car's path, narrowly escaping fatal injury to himself. He was given the AAA medal for bravery for this deed.

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On February 12, Henry Mortko of class 61X became a panelist on the Dorothy Gordon Youth Forum, a thought-provoking television show for high school students. Mortko, representing the vocational schools of the city, gave an excellent speech in stating his views of automation and the working people. He was later rewarded with a tape recording of the entire show.

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Sixty-two East New Yorkers qualified for the Honor Roll this term. Joseph Fiorello headed it with an average of 91.75%. Others who qualified were: F. Ascoli, R. Ballester, W. Bevard, V. Biller, D. Bivona, L. Bonilla, P. Borysevicz, F. Buono, E. Callender, P. Collazo, L. Collins, P. Cotronio, S. DeMayo, B. DeVito, R. D'Onofrio, W. Dragwo, L. Duran, A. Jamison, R. Faust, J. Fiorello, J. Fuentes, J. Gallo, J. Givner, B. Gold, S. Guardino, J. Hassen, V. Hayes, G. Hirata, C. Janicki, P. Kateridge, J. Klufas, A. Lindner, A. LoFaso, J. Marasia, C. Martinson, C. Marcinkevicius, T. Mastrodomenico, J. Maziarz, F. Miller, H. Mortko, R. Musmacker, J. Neal, L. Nieves, W. Nonnenmann, S. Oginsky, D. Pagan, T. Raynor, V. Rega, M. Rodriguez, R. Ryan, J. Sagnelli, H. Santiago, F. Schnetzer, D. Spearin, R. Spruill, T. Stendardo, G. Stockley, L. Thompson, M. Trimis, R. Tromp, A. Variale and R. Vengazo.

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On Friday, April 28, members of the Honor Society and other outstanding students will visit the American Shakespeare Festival in Stratford, Connecticut and see the hit production of "Twelfth Night".

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SPORTS REVIEW

EAST NEW YORK TRACKMEN SET NEW SCHOOL RECORDS

On Saturday, January 28, at the St. Francis Prep. Track Meet, Richard Magona of 62G won a silver medal for placing second in the 100 yard dash. Approximately one hundred boys from all over the city had competed in this event.

At the same meet, our Freshman relay team, composed of Douglas Johnson, Frank Cuffee, Robert Wiggins, and Thomas Washington, came in 3rd. in the 880 yard relay. These boys competed against teams from Long Island, New Jersey, and the Metropolitan area.

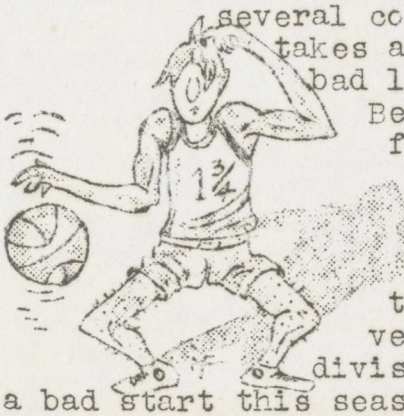
At the Mayor's Meet George Sheppard, captain of the team, finished in 5th place in the open 1000 yard run. Later a new East New York record was established by Sheppard in the 800 yard run.

Alvin Lawrence succeeded in placing third in the 440 yard run at the National AAU Interscholastic Track Championships held in Madison Square Garden on February 25. His time of 51.6 seconds was the fastest time ever recorded by an East New York student for this distance.

On April 1st, our track team will compete in the first of a series of dual meets against Boys High, John Jay, Hamilton, and Bushwick.

EAST NEW YORK BASKETBALL SEASON ENDS IN DESPAIR

This year the basketball season ended with East New York in next to last place in its division. Due to strong competition, several costly mistakes and a streak of bad luck, the V-Bees had only four victories during the entire season. Even though the team was in a very strong division and had a bad start this season, they continued to do their very best in the latter half of the season.



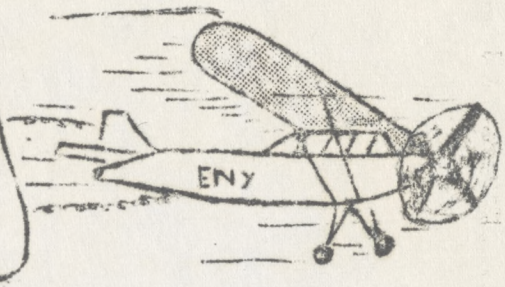
BASEBALL TEAM PREPARES FOR ONCOMING SEASON

The East New York baseball team is now in spring training and will continue till the season officially begins sometime in April. Our first game will be played against Grover Cleaveland on March 27.

FENCING

The East New York fencing team just completed a triangle meet with Far Rockaway and Sheephead Bay High Schools. The foilers managed to win one duel and tie the other. Another triangle meet was scheduled for March 9.

CLUB NEWS



SEA EXPLORERS HOPE TO ROAM WORLD AGAIN

By Michael Gargan

Several Sea Explorers may be able to go on another exciting trip this year. Last year, if you remember, boat construction shop teacher, Mr. Claps, took a number of boys to exotic Puerto Rico in the Caribbean. This was undoubtedly a very memorable trip for Mr. Claps and for the boys who went with him. Herbert Ehrich, 63G, the one Explorer who went on a trip to Europe last summer is still talking about his experience.

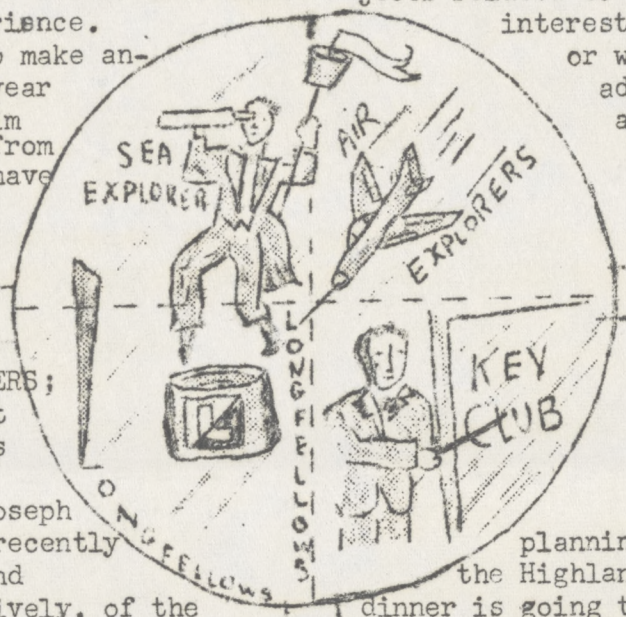
Mr. Claps hopes to make another trip again this year but his chances are slim because Sea Explorers from other schools have to have a chance to take these trips too. If you go, "Bon Voyage" men!!

AIR EXPLORERS PLAN TRIP TO IDLEWILD

By Carlos Marcinkevicius

John J. Mancino, president of the Air Explorers, reported that his group is planning a trip to Idlewild Airport sometime in June.

The Air Explorers are in the midst of a membership drive. F.A.A. students who join the group will be given advanced instruction on interesting projects related to Aviation. All those interested in becoming members or who wish to acquire additional information about the organization, should see Mr. Hausz in Room 139 whenever there is an Explorer meeting.



LONGFELLOWS ELECT OFFICERS; James Cusik, President

By C. Marcinkevicius

James Cusik and Joseph Schrettembrunner were recently elected as President and Vice-president, respectively, of the Longfellows.

The Color Guard will make several outside appearances this Spring, including participation in the Fifth Avenue Parade sponsored by the Puerto Rican Committee, on April 9.

All of the Longfellows are now wearing new armbands during school hours to advertise the club throughout the school.

Their latest activity was aiding Mr. Butner in administering examinations to prospective East New Yorkers.

FATHER AND SON DINNER PLANNED BY KEY CLUB

By Barry Gold

The Key Club is planning to hold a dinner at the Highland Park Y M C A. The dinner is going to be a father and son affair. The Key Clubbers have already started saving their pennies, since each member is going to treat his father to a full course seven dollar dinner.

The Key Club is now restenciling our fire drill signs, adding the words "and Technical" to our school name. It will soon sponsor contests to raise funds for additional projects. Look for posters announcing these drives.

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